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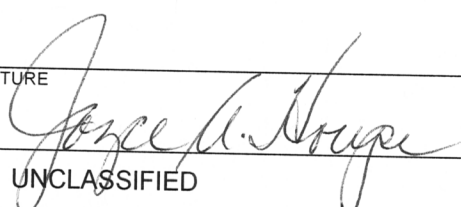
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CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE
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20 June 2013

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Attn: Jason Smathers
P.O. Box 55819
Boston, MA 02205-5819

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This responds to your correspondence dated 18 June 2013, requesting a status on your appeal of Mandatory Declassification Review (MDR) #63577.

The National Security Agency (NSA) mailed a response to your appeal on 20 April 2012 to the address you previously provided: 185 Beacon Street, #3, Somerville, MA 02143.

A copy of NSA's response dated 20 April 2012 is enclosed herewith.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Blake C. Barnes", is written over a horizontal line.

BLAKE C. BARNES
Chief
Declassification Services



NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY
CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE
FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755-6000

MDR Case: 63577
Appeal No. 3625

APR 20 2012

Mr. Jason Smathers
185 Beacon Street, #3
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This replies to your letter, dated 4 May 2011, appealing the National Security Agency's (NSA) decision to deny your Mandatory Declassification Review (MDR) request.

You requested an MDR on the existence or non-existence of NSA intelligence records on Barnabas Sueba (aka Bas Suebu). Your request was received on 6 November 2010 and assigned Case Number 63577. The results of this review were provided to you on 10 April 2011.

I have reviewed your original request, the Chief, Declassification Services' response to you and your appeal letter. As a result of that review, I have determined that the fact of the existence or non-existence of the materials you request is a currently and properly classified matter in accordance with Section 3.6 (a) of Executive Order 13526.

The withheld information continues to meet the standards for classification set forth in Section 3.6 (a) of Executive Order 13526. Furthermore, the information remains currently and properly classified in accordance with the Executive Order. Therefore, your appeal is denied.

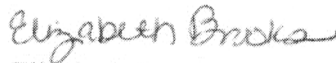
In addition, this Agency is authorized by various statutes to protect certain information concerning its activities. Thus, your request is also denied because the fact of the existence or non-existence of intelligence records on named individuals is exempted from disclosure pursuant to Title 18 U.S. code 789; Title 50 U.S. code 403-1 (i); and Section 6, Public Law 86-36 (50 U.S. Code 402 note).

You may consider this final Agency decision to be a denial of your appeal. You are hereby advised that under the MDR process, you may appeal a final agency decision in writing, within 60 days from the date of this letter, to the Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP) at the following address:

Executive Secretary
Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel
ATTN: Classification Challenge Appeals
c/o Information Security Oversight Office
National Archives and Records Administration
7th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 50
Washington, D.C. 20408

Additional information regarding the ISCAP's appeal process can be found at
<http://www.archives.gov> by typing "ISCAP" in the search field.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Brooks
Associate Director for Policy and Records